GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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Development of Indigenous Weapons
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is running a programme for developing indigenous weapons and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the amount allocated and spent during the last three years against the said programme;

(c) whether private parties are also involved in the aforementioned programme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)
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(a) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), a Research and Development (R&D) wing of Ministry of Defence, is primarily mandated for indigenization of Weapons / Technologies for defence & accordingly, is involved in design and development of strategic, complex and security sensitive systems in the fields of missiles, unmanned aerial vehicles, radars, electronic warfare systems, sonars combat vehicles, combat aircraft, sensors, etc for the Armed Forces as per their specific Qualitative Requirements for enhancing the national security of the country. Value of systems/products/technologies developed/ upgraded by DRDO and inducted into the Services or in the process of induction stands over Rs 2.56 lakh Cr. This figure does not include Strategic Systems.

(b) Details of funds allocated to the DRDO during the last three years are given below:-
Year Allocation of funds
(Rs. in crore)

2014-15 13716.14
2015-16 13540.11
2016-17 13501.00
2017-18
(Budget Estimates) 14818.74

(c) & (d): DRDO has a well-built partnership with more than 1000 private sector industries. DRDO has been involving academia and private industries right from the inception of project.
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